

Recovery Plan Action Status

Plan Name: Draft Revised Recovery Plan for Utah Prairie Dog (*Cynomys parvidens*)

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| Utah prairie dog (<i>Cynomys parvidens</i>) | 2 | 1.1 | Continue surveys & annual population monitoring using existing protocols, throughout designated RUs | Ongoing Current | | | National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, USDA Forest Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources | Management: Population Monitoring | Species Expert | \$30K annually for 30 years |
| Utah prairie dog (<i>Cynomys parvidens</i>) | 2 | 1.2 | Expand surveys to unmapped but potential habitat to document species distribution | Ongoing Current | | | National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, USDA Forest Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Panoramaland and Color Country Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Utah Farm Bureau | Management: Population Monitoring, Research: Population Assessment | Species Expert | \$30K for FY01 to FY05 then no \$ thereafter |
| Utah prairie dog (<i>Cynomys parvidens</i>) | 3 | 1.3 | Review & if necessary, revise boundaries of three RUs | Complete | FY 2010 | FY 2010 | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Management | Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert | FY01 & every 5th year thereafter |
| Utah prairie dog (<i>Cynomys parvidens</i>) | 1 | 2.1 | Prioritize habitat for protection | Ongoing Current | | | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Management: Planning | Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert | Based on travel time for Team, help from GIS person, & an annual review. FY01 @ \$20K & \$10K every year after. |

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| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 1 | 2.2.1 | Permanently protect habitat on non-Federal lands through conservation easements & fee acquisition from willing sellers | Ongoing Current | | | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Utah Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Panoramaland and Color Country Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Utah Farm Bureau, Utah Counties | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | Involve partnerships with private grant organizations & environmental groups. \$2,000K/year for 30 years. |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 1 | 2.2.2 | Enroll private lands in temporary voluntary agreements using Federal & state conservation programs | Ongoing Current | | | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Utah Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Panoramaland and Color Country Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Utah Farm Bureau | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | \$200K for FY01 to FY05, then 50K annually thereafter |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 2.3.1 | Plan & implement vegetation treatments in strategic locations (including translocation sites) that benefit species & its habitat | Ongoing Current | | | National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, USDA Forest Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service | Management: Habitat Maintenance and Manipulation, Research: Management Techniques | Contract, Species Expert | This is based on 1,000 acres/year at cost of about \$500/acre + planning costs. \$500K annually for 30 years |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 2.3.2 | Develop & implement guidelines to minimize adverse impacts to species & its habitat from various activities on Federal lands | Ongoing Current | | | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Management: Planning, Research: Management Techniques | Species Expert | NPS has grant in place. \$40K @ FY01 & FY02, \$30K @ FY03, & \$20K annually thereafter |

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| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 2.3.3 | Amend or update Federal Land Use Plans to include these guidelines (to minimize impacts to UPDs) when appropriate | Ongoing Current | | | National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, USDA Forest Service | Management: Land Use, Management: Planning, Other: Regulations | Species Expert | No \$ for FY01 to FY04, then \$150k @ FY05 & FY06, then \$40k every 5th year thereafter |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 5.1 | Select & prioritize translocation sites across range of species | Ongoing Current | | | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Management: Reintroduction | Species Expert | On the ground work will begin once priority areas are chosen. \$50K annually for 30 years |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 3 | 5.2 | Review & as necessary, amend Recommended Translocation Procedures document | Ongoing Current | | | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Management: General, Management: Reintroduction | Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert | FY01 @ \$20K (recently revised) & \$40K every 5th year thereafter |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 5.3 | Implement translocations in accordance with Recommended Translocation Procedures to increase number of colonies throughout range | Ongoing Current | | | National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, USDA Forest Service, Environmental Defense, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Panoramaland and Color Country Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Utah Farm Bureau | Management: Reintroduction | Species Expert | This is based on establishing more burrows & dogs at 2 sites per year. \$80K annually for 30 years |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 3 | 6.2 | Establish species' viewing sites & educational kiosks | Not Started | | | National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, USDA Forest Service, Environmental Defense, Southern Utah University, Utah State University Extension | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | FY04 @ \$100K & \$50K annually thereafter |

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| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 3 | 6.3 | Publish & distribute habitat mgmt guidelines for private lands | Ongoing Current | | | Environmental Defense, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Panoramaland and Color Country Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Utah Farm Bureau | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | \$100K in FY01 for development & distribution of pamphlets; \$30K annually for pamphlets, with \$80K in FY02; & every 5th year thereafter for printing & mailing |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 3 | 6.4 | Establish species' demonstration site balancing species' needs with agricultural needs | Not Started | | | USDA Forest Service, Panoramaland and Color Country Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Utah Farm Bureau, Southern Utah University | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | Every 5th year |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 7.2 | Develop & implement research priorities to minimize impacts from plague or disease | Ongoing Current | | | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | Develop in FY02 & update every 5th year thereafter |
| Utah prairie dog (Cynomys parvidens) | 2 | 7.5 | Develop & implement research priorities to assess impacts of various actions (e.g. OHV, seismic) to species & its habitat | Not Started | | | Utah prairie dog Recovery Team | Work type not yet selected | Labor type not yet selected | FY01 & every 5th year thereafter |